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SUBJECT: Implementation of Software Professional Development Program (SPDP) Interim Training Guide

TO: Commanders of Defense Contract Management Districts
Commander, Defense Contract Management Command International

1. I am pleased to announce the publication of the enclosed DCMC SPDP Interim Training Guide. It establishes a comprehensive, three-tiered training and certification program for our personnel performing or directly supporting CAS of software development. Since embedded software is a significant cost and performance risk driver in weapon system acquisitions, this Training Guide is effective immediately. With the implementation of the SPDP, we are making a commitment to maximize the effectiveness of our software personnel.
2. The SPDP Interim Training Guide supersedes the software training curriculum found in the Quality Assurance Technical Development Program, DLAM 8220.4 and in the Program and Technical Support Program, DLAM 8500.5. It will be incorporated in the upcoming DCMC Technical Development and Training Guide. The new unified DCMC SPDP curriculum is designed to enhance performance in the areas of source selection, process evaluation, and product acceptance. While it prescribes minimum requirements, I strongly encourage all software professionals to take advantage of this opportunity to develop and broaden their skills.
3. I expect all personnel involved in the implementation of the SPDP to perform the responsibilities described in the Training Guide. The program requires considerable support from District Workforce Development Directorates and District staff software professionals. I appreciate the effort of all individuals involved in developing and implementing the DCMC SPDP.
4. Additional copies have been forwarded to the Workforce Development Directorates for distribution. Questions regarding the content of the Training Guide may be directed to Ms. Jeanette Mulholland, DLA-AQCOJ, DSN 667-7504 or (703) 617-7504 and Capt. Cristobal Diaz, DLA-AQCOF, DSN 284-7726 or (703) 274-7726.

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